

Hoover's Bureau Denies Free Food Is Given Germans

All of It Is Paid for in Advance, Statement Says; Relieving Hunger as Best Means to Prevent Anarchy

The erroneous impression that American money is being used to feed the people of the Central Powers of Europe yesterday caused the American Relief Administration to issue the following statement from its headquarters, 45 Broadway:

"The decision to send food into Germany and Austria was made by the Allied Council of Supply and Relief, and was not a decision of Mr. Hoover's alone, nor of the American Relief Administration. No part of the \$100,000,000 appropriated by Congress for European relief has been used for these countries. The appropriation bill specifically prohibited the use of money for the benefit of Germany, German Austria, Hungary, Bulgaria or Turkey.

"The Supreme Council of Supply and Relief is composed of representatives of the United States, England, France and Italy, and it is charged with the duty, under the general direction of the Supreme War Council, of determining the general policy of European relief work, first, taking into account the needs of the Allies and neutral countries, and of deciding measures for its execution. Mr. Hoover, as Director General of Relief, is assisted by a permanent committee of the council, representing each of the four governments, and has charge of the distribution of the food, but all relief and supplies, as well as all decisions are in the name and on behalf of the four associated governments.

"All the food that has been sent into the enemy countries has been furnished on a commercial basis, being paid for partly by shipping released for Allied use, and partly by money deposited in advance.

"This food is being sent into the enemy countries not for humanitarian reasons, but because it is felt that the alleviation of distress and hunger is one of the surest means of preventing the spread of anarchy."

Father to Keep Irwin Children, Court Rules

Justice Lazansky Says Mother Inspired Appeal for Change of Custody

Oliver and Edward, Jr., children of Edward Wilbur Irwin, will remain with their father according to an order by Justice Lazansky, in the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, yesterday. The children had petitioned that they be allowed to live with their mother, Mrs. Janet T. Hardy Irwin Drum, of Hempstead, Long Island, who was adjudged in contempt of court early this year for violation of a ruling by which she was permitted to see her children for a stated period.

In denying the Irwin children's petition, Justice Lazansky said: "I am inclined to believe that the children have made this application at the instance of the mother and not so much as a matter of personal choice. Of course the court is interested in the welfare of the children and will protect them against improper surroundings and unhealthy influences, but there is nothing before the court in this application which indicates that the children will not prosper in their present environment. In any event, if it would be for the best interests of these children to be with their mother instead of their father, the application should be made by the mother, and it will receive careful attention."

Two Sailors Convicted Of Hold-Up and Assault

Beat Brooklyn Man With Black-jack; Child of Eight Years Robbed of \$200

Two United States sailors attached to the Ellis Island station, were convicted before County Judge Nash in Brooklyn yesterday of robbery, assault and grand larceny. They will be sentenced to-morrow. The maximum penalty is thirty years' imprisonment. The sailors, Arthur Howey and John J. Lee, were charged with holding up Jerome C. McDonough, of Brooklyn, on the night of December 22. McDonough was beaten with a blackjack and was in a hospital for three weeks.

Eight-year-old James Learn, of 112 West 122d Street, Manhattan, was robbed while on his way to the Corn Exchange Bank at 126th Street and Lenox Avenue yesterday. The lad had \$200 which he was taking to bank on his uncle, Dr. Burke Sheldon. He reported that a "tall" man took the money away from him.

Isaac and David Jacobs were arrested last night, charged with the theft of \$15,000 worth of Japanese silk goods from the Wilber Stores, at 435 West Nineteenth Street, on March 17.

Watchman Held for Murder Tells Police Slain Boy Threw Stones at Him

JERSEY CITY, March 28.—Charles Falkenhauer, nineteen years old, of 712 First Street, Hoboken, was killed yesterday. Lewis Cornelius, a watchman in the Erie Railroad yards here, was arrested, charged with murder. The boy was shot with a Winchester rifle, loaded with buckshot. One round lodged in his abdomen, but the round kept on running until he reached Christ Hospital, where he died.

Found Roosevelt Memorial Residents of Kew Gardens Will Erect Church

One of the first permanent memorials to the late Colonel Theodore Roosevelt has been founded in Kew Gardens, Long Island. Articles of incorporation for the Roosevelt Church in Kew Gardens were signed to-day by Justice Aspinall in the Queens County Supreme Court. It was announced that the structure will cost between \$75,000 and \$100,000.

Indemnities Expected to Steady French Exchange

PARIS, March 29.—In discussing the fall in French exchange, "The Economiste Financier" says:

"This latest phase in the crisis which has been brought about by the double liberation of French and British exchange from all official intervention will continue until the German indemnities begin coming in, by which time the general condition of the money market will be modified, it is to be hoped, in our favor."

Non-Partisan Split in North Dakota Spreads

Four State Officials Now Spurn Townley's Dictation of Policies

FARGO, N. D., March 29.—Deflection among Non-Partisan League state officials from the heretofore solid front maintained by that organization was broadened to-day when S. J. Nagle, of Mandan, N. D., member of the Board of Control, cast his lot with those who have challenged A. C. Townley's authority to dictate legislative and state administration policies.

Four state officials now are openly fighting the league rule, while two state officials have declared themselves against certain legislative measures passed under direction of the league as controlled by President Townley, of the Industrial Commission, charged with carrying on undertakings the state has proposed and for which \$17,000,000 of bonds have been authorized. That the split is extending to the league membership and has become widespread is indicated by a signed statement issued to-day by President Townley, who condemns officials and members who do not stand by him, as "traitors of the farmers' movement."

Another evidence of the growing split is found in the fact that more than 25,000 electors, one-fourth of the state's entire electorate, signed referendum petitions within two weeks, the filing of which will result in the people themselves voting on the most radical of the laws passed by the last Legislature.

Germans to Surrender Foreign Railway Bonds Government Publishes List of Commandeered Securities to Pay for Food

BERLIN, March 28 (By The Associated Press).—A list of securities which the government had decreed shall be surrendered to help pay for food delivered to Germany is published in the "Neue Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" and includes the bonds of thirty-three foreign railroads. The railroad bonds are all to be purchased at par or above, except Louisville and Nashville second mortgage bonds.

The list also includes 19 Argentine, 5 Brazilian, 4 Chilean, 6 Chinese, 2 British, 3 French, 3 Japanese, 4 Italian, 5 Portuguese and 1 Siamese issues of securities.

Foreigners resident in Germany and owning securities need not surrender or register them. They may export their securities if it is proved that they were purchased before March 4, 1919.

The government is taking precautions to prevent the illicit transfer of securities from Germany to foreign ownership to avoid confiscation. The owners of securities will be paid in proportion to the size of the indemnity demanded by the Allies.

"China Doll" Is Divorced Thompson Newbury Free From One-Time Stage Star

FALL RIVER, Mass., March 29.—Formal announcement was made to-day in the Superior Court that a decree of divorce had been granted to Thompson Newbury, the Taunton millionaire, whose divorce action was brought to an abrupt close this week by order of the court.

The cross libel filed by Mrs. Mabel Gould Stetson Stickney Newbury, the "Dresden China Doll" of stage fame, and society pet of Newport, was ordered dismissed. The order of the court followed a long conference between Judge Quinby, Frank W. Knapp, attorney for Newbury, and Edward A. Thurston, counsel for Mrs. Newbury.

Neither attorney would make any statement regarding the abrupt ending of the suit. A pledge was exacted by the court and each attorney put upon his honor to reveal nothing of the reasons that led up to the break.

Tyler Wins One Point Name on Hotel Register as He Said It Was

After three days of grilling the Kings County authorities were ready to admit last night that I. Roy Tyler would not be identified as one of the hold-up men who shot down two employees of the East Brooklyn Savings Bank on December 13 and escaped with \$12,000.

District Attorney Lewis received a telegram yesterday from the manager of the Harvey House, Seligman, Ariz., stating that on December 13 a couple registered as "E. H. McGinn and wife" at his hotel. This bears out Tyler's story. Mr. Lewis has sent Tyler's signature to Seligman to be compared with the writing on the hotel register.

\$150,000 Influenza Hospital Boston Initiates Fund to Trace Cause of Recent Scourge

BOSTON, March 29.—The war on influenza here has only begun. Boston proposes to find the germ, isolate it and then find a way to prevent it ever again attaining epidemic honors. To this end it is to build a \$150,000 pneumonia and influenza hospital on the Brookline Hill, to be known as the Brooks Cubicle Hospital. The funds have been provided by public spirited citizens and the doctors have volunteered their services. No charge will be made patients who are in needy circumstances.

\$40,000,000 Voted by Berlin to Aid Jobless

BERLIN, March 28 (By The Associated Press).—The support of the unemployed is costing the municipality of Greater Berlin 1,000,000 marks a day. A clerical force of 2,300, with a weekly pay of 1,100,000 marks, is required to keep track of the army of workless people.

The City Council has voted an appropriation of 160,000,000 marks (\$40,000,000) for public improvement for the purpose of ameliorating the condition of the unemployed, which is rapidly becoming an economic and social menace.

Queen of Rumania May Make Visit to America

WASHINGTON, March 29.—Ambassador Davis advised the State Department to-day that the Queen of Rumania, who is visiting in England, had asked that he express to the women of America her gratitude for their services to the Rumanian people during the war.

The Queen expressed her appreciation of many invitations received to visit America, and said she hoped to do so in the near future, although at the conclusion of her present visit to England she was going to return to her own country.

Col. Sacardoso Will Form New Portuguese Cabinet

LISBON, March 29.—Colonel Sacardoso has been charged with the formation of a new Portuguese Cabinet. He is a member of the Democrat party.

Business Hours: 9 A.M. to 5.30 P.M.

B. Altman & Co.

Thirty-fourth Street

MADISON AVENUE-FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

Thirty-fifth Street

Telephone 7000 Murray Hill

Special Value

will be offered to-morrow in a
Sale of

Girls' Spring Capes

made of all-wool navy serge
(sizes 10 to 16 years)
at \$18.50

There will be a choice of two models in these capes—both captivatingly smart, and both reproductions of much costlier originals. One introduces a gilet of velour, in henna, tan or old blue; the other, a gilet of serge and a back of novel shaping.

(Second Floor)

A Spring Sale of Sun-or-Rain Umbrellas

specially priced at \$4.50

will be a Monday event of seasonable interest on the First Floor.

Made of superior-quality silk taffeta, in navy blue, purple, green, tete-de-negre, red, taupe and black, with handles of bakelite colored to match and finished with silk cord wrist-loop, these smart umbrellas represent a buying opportunity that no one can afford to miss.

New Importations of Dainty Garments

for Infants and Little Children

have just arrived from Paris and are now being shown on the Second Floor.

So many new and adorable prettinesses have the clever French designers evolved for the babies—and for the tiny folk who are just emerging from babyhood into the wonderland of life—that no one pen, however facile, could do them justice.

Among them are exquisite little frocks of cobwebby-fine materials, many of them delicately hand-embroidered, others ornamented with lovely hand-made laces. Others, again, introduce novel effects in color and trimming; and most of these are provided with dainty little hats en suite. And of course there are Christening Robes (with petticoats to match), Cloaks and Bonnets—all of them beautiful, and French.

Layettes and Nursery
Furnishings
supplied to order.

An Extraordinary Sale of Afternoon and Evening Gowns

will take place to-morrow (Monday) in the
Department for Women's Ready-to-wear.

It will offer

Gowns of quite unusual attractiveness, modeled in satins, taffetas, figured chiffons, and beaded and embroidered Georgettes, presenting a remarkable variety of charming styles,

at the phenomenally low price of
\$48.00

(Women's Ready-to-wear, Third Floor)

A Large Special Purchase

of

Imported Hand-made Filet Laces

comprising

Edgings and Insertings (all fine meshes) of superior quality, ranging in width from ¼-inch to 5½ inches,

will be on sale to-morrow and Tuesday
exceptionally priced (according to width)

at 48c., \$1.25, 1.60, 1.95, 2.50 & 3.25 per yard

In view of the present scarcity of and unprecedented demand for imported hand-made filet laces, this Sale offers a purchasing opportunity that is distinctly out of the ordinary.

(First Floor)

A Monday Sale of Dress Silks

to be held on the Sixth Floor

will offer

25,000 Yards of Black Silks,
White Silks and Colored Silks,

in eminently desirable weaves and qualities (arranged in lengths suitable for practically all purposes) at prices ranging from

95c. to \$3.90 per yard

At these figures the values offered are very remarkable.

The Ultimate Word of Style

in Clothes for Men, Women and the Younger Set

finds eloquent expression in the Spring displays now being featured in the Store's various Departments.

Interesting Values

will be obtainable in a Monday
Sale of

Imported Lingerie Articles

(all hand-embroidered, and of
most desirable qualities)
comprising

Chaise-longue Covers

in several dainty and beautiful
designs,
at \$20.00, \$25.00 & \$30.00

Pillow Slips

in a variety of designs and sizes
at 75c., 95c., \$1.45 to 3.25

Boudoir Table Squares

(size 18x18 inches) at \$2.75 & 4.50

Dresser Scarfs

Size 20x36 inches, at \$3.75 & 5.75
Size 20x45 inches, at 4.50 & 7.50
Size 20x54 inches, at 7.50 & 9.50

Fancy Needlework Department
(Fourth Floor)

A Quantity of White Cotton Fabrics

to be offered to-morrow at very
special prices, will consist of
4,000 Yards of Fancy Woven
White Voiles and Swisses (36
inches wide)

at 48c. per yard

And Fancy Woven White Skirtings
(36 inches wide)

at 25c. per yard

this being one-half the original price
(First Floor)

The Latest Modes in Capes and Coats

for Women, Misses and the
Younger Set

are interestingly featured in their
respective Departments.

Practically everything that is new and fashionable is represented in the great number of attractive outer garments assembled. The variety of styles, fabrics and color effects affords the widest possible scope for individual choice, and the range of prices is sufficiently extensive to make an universal appeal.

Women's Coats, \$35.00 to 225.00
Women's Capes and Wraps
at \$45.00 to 675.00

Misses' Coats

at \$35.00 to 175.00

Misses' Capes and Wraps

at \$29.50 to 215.00